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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH.

Arrivals.

Notices of Firms.

To be Let.

Auctions.

Intimations.

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June 9, EMMERALDA, British steamer, 395
Tons, bound Manila 5th June, General—
A. MAGG. HEATON.

June 9, NINGO, British steamer, 761, E.
Class, Canton 8th June, General—
STRIMSON & CO.

June 9, MAYENCE, Amaham gunboat, 900,
Leviathan, Toulon (Cochin, China) 5th
June.

June 9, ROBERT HENDERSON, British bark,
685, John J. Gunn, Burnt Port (South
Wales) 4th February, Coals—Voyer,
HAGGARD & CO.

June 9, YASSO, British steamer, 560, Ashton,
Eccles 6th June, Amoy 7th, and Sava-
tow 8th General—D. LIPKIN & CO.

June 9, WASHI, British steamer, 265, A.
Hunter, Haiphong 6th June, General—
LADDELL & CO.

June 9, NORN, British steamer, 606, A. G.
Walker, Swatow 8th June, General—
KUO & CO.

June 9, American, American bark, 937, Ha-
mimura, Manila 30th May, Ballast—
RUSSELL & CO.

June 9, STATE OF LOUISIANA, British str.,
1,216, D. H. Johnson, Suton 5th June,
RUSSELL & CO.

June 9, J. D. PEGAS, American bark, 1,440,
E. M. LEWIS, Cardiff 8th February, Coals—
O. & C. S. CO.

June 9, PAGO, Spanish str., 196, Yarurier,
Martial 6th June, General—KUO & CO.

June 9, THE LEEFAN FAMILY, British str., 198,
R. Brown, Saigon 2nd June, General—
S. & H. CO.

June 9, SHIWS BROTHERS, American ship,
1,483, D. G. Goodell, Cardiff 2nd March,
Coals—P. & S. N. CO.

June 10, ALASKA, American str., 4,011, H.
Howard, San Francisco 5th May, and
Yokohama 1st June, Mails and General—
M. S. S. CO.

June 10, WODAN, German bark, 429, A. W.
Meyer, Swatow 7th June, Ballast—
WELLES & CO.

June 10, AYTA, Dutch steamer, 886, E. J.
Webber, Bangkok 1st June, Rice and
Sawdust—Wm. PUSTAU & CO.

June 10, FERDINA, German str., 1,085, H.
Schmitz, Swatow 9th June, Sugar—
Wm. PUSTAU & CO.

Clearances.

At the HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,

JUNE 9TH.

Hannah & Mary, British bark, for Falmouth.
Christian, German bark, for Chofoo.
Mingo, British steamer, for Shanghai.
Perseverance, British steamer, for Suton.
Hope, British bark, for Kobe.
Western Chief, British steamer, for Manila.
Latia, British bark, for Foochow.
Chamor Kamys, Siam bark, for Bangkok.
Bertha, German bark, for Cumbong.
Nemo, British steamer, for East Coast.
Nestley, British bark, for Sydney.
Formosa, German schooner, for Sydney.
Esmeralda, British steamer, for Amoy.
Augusta, British schooner, for Newchwang.

Departures.

June 10, PRESTO, Brit. bark, for Haiphong.
June 9, AYA, French steamer, for Saigon and
Marselles.

June 9, DELTA, British str., for Foochow.
June 9, GAMMA, British str., for Foochow.
June 9, SHEN-CHI, Chinese gunboat, for Can-
ton.

June 9, ADELA, British bark, for Keelung.
June 10, CAUCA, German bark, for Manila.
June 10, NINGO, British str., for Shanghai.
June 10, EMMERALDA, British steamer, for
Amoy.

June 10, NAMOA, British str., for East Coast.
June 10, PANAMITICO, British steamer, for
Bangkok.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.

For Esmeralda, str., from Manila—
M. S. S. CO. F. de Soto, F. P. Lelio, and 343 Chi-
nese from Louisiana, from Saigon—
19 Chinese.

For Wacht, str., from Haiphong—
Messrs. Dumpy and Moradini and 31
Chinese.

For Yeo, str., from East Coast—
Captain W. C. and Mr. North, R. N., 1 En-
sign, 40 Chinese, and 60 Chinese.

For Asia, str., from San Francisco and
Yokohama—
Mr. and Mrs. Gillings, and 132 Chinese.

For Asia, str., from Bangkok—
Captain Beres and 44 Chinese.

For Paigut, str., from Manila—
1 Cabin and 10 Chinese.

For British Brothers, from Cardiff—
Mr. S. D. Burgess.

DEPARTED.

For Ningpo, str., from Shanghai—
2 Cabin and 30 Chinese.

For Namoa, str., for East Coast—
200 Chinese.

For Asia, str., for Saigon and Marselles—
For Saigon—Rev. Dr. Green and A. Spooner.
For Asia—Mr. E. D. Price. For Marselles.

48 Hongkong, 8th January, 1877.

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against Fire to the extent of \$10,000 on any

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Offices of the Corporation.

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1877.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of

Instructions from the Board of Directors,

authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent

of \$10,000 on any one Fire-class Risk, or to

the extent of \$15,000 on Adjoining Risks at

Current Rates.

A Discount of 30% allowed.

FIRE RISKS.

At Current Rates.

A Discount of TWENTY PER CENT. (20%)

upon the current rates will be allowed on

all premiums charged for insurance, each dis-

count being deducted at the time of the issue

of policy.

BUSSEL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1877.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents for the above Company, are

prepared to grant Policies against

Fire to the extent of \$10,000 on Buildings or

on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., Agents.

137 Old Bond Street, London,
1st January, 1877.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept

Risks and Issues Policies on behalf of

the MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY by

First-class Steamers.

A. MOYER, Agent of the Marine Insurance Company.

18, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1877.

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prepared to grant Policies against

Fire to the extent of \$10,000 on

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1st January, 1877.

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Policies against Fire, to the extent of

\$10,000 on Fire-class Risks.

A Discount of TWENTY PER CENT. (20%)

upon the current rates will be allowed

upon Policies affected with this Office.

T. G. LINSTEAD, Agent, Sun Fire Office.

1335—Hongkong, 4th October, 1876.

OLYMPIAN & CO.

NOTICE.

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Insurance to all parts of the World, in

accordance with the Company's Articles of

Association. Two-thirds of the Profits are

distributed annually to Contributors, whether Share-

holders or not, in proportion to the net amount

of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining

third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYMPIAN & CO., Agents.

1351—Hongkong, 17th April, 1873.

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NOTICE.
TAROM This Date M. EDWARD SHEP-
PARD and M. M. W. GREGG are
authorized to SIGN the NAME of our Firm
for pre-arrangement at FOOCHEW, and Mr. F. F.
ELLWELL at AMOY.

RUSSELL & CO.
6m 844—China, 1st June, 1877.

NOTICE.
THE Interests and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr. W. H. BELL in the Hongkong Daily
Press, and the Business connected therewith,
BASED ON the 31st December last.

The Business will, in future, be conducted
by my own account.

YORK JONES MURROW,
Proprietor, by his Attorneys Wm. PUSTAU & CO.

Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 5th April, 1877.

NOTICE.

M. R. EDWARD BURNIE will conduct the
Business of my Office, during my tem-
porary absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNS,
Surveyor to Local Officers and Lloyd's,
Register of Shipping.

2 Club Chambers, 1st March, 1877.

NOTICE.

W. H. CAIRNS,
Surveyor to Local Officers and Lloyd's,
Register of Shipping.

2 Club Chambers, 1st March, 1877.

NOTICE.

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Amoy for Agent of the Firm of LLOYD,
LLOYD & CO.

2 Club Chambers, 1st March, 1877.

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827 HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

DEATH.

At Regal House, Swatow, on the 4th inst., Kars, Ernest, youngest daughter of T. W. Hutchinson.

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Until the last few years the dependency of Kowloon has not been regarded as likely to prove of much importance except as a camping and exercise ground for troops. But this illusion has been dispelled. Although few facilities have been established, hill-tops, ground

has gradually been taken up, and buildings

have been erected at Tsim's-a-sai-ku, whilst

Yow-mab-tee a large native population has collected. All this, too, in spite of one grand failure, when Sir Richard Macdonnell's bungalow—then in course of erection—and the Praya wall were swept away. But, by degrees, the attention of the Colonists was again attracted to Kowloon as a health resort, and onjoying the south-west breezes

which the Peak so obstinately shuts out from Victoria. A number of garden lots were purchased on a fourteen years' lease, and in the belief that the lease would be extended, several substantial bungalows have been erected. Litterly building operations at Yow-mab-tee have been carried on actively. Brick erections are becoming numerous, and thatched-sheds are scattered thickly about. Two or three more substantial houses have been projected, and a large building to be used as a club is fast rising near the Kowloon Hotel, while a flourishing institution is temporarily located in aatched near the beach. A new praya has been redone from the sea, and flanked by a substantial wall, while several good roads traverse the settlement. Some of the houses are now quite surrounded by foliage, and the place is rapidly assuming the appearance of a cultivated village.

At Yow-mab-tee the progress made or about to be made is even greater. What was a few years back a tiny fishing community is fast growing into a populous town. The place has recently been laid out with a view to its sanitation, the streets being from thirty to fifty feet wide, and laid at right angles. The police force is now increased to a strength of fifteen thousand dollars has just been voted by the Legislative Council for a system of drainage for the place. A great many new houses have been erected, and extensive reclamations of land are now going on with a view to building. The neighbouring hills are being cut away to fill up the swamp land, and when this work has been completed a number of important buildings, including a market, a Roman Catholic church and schools, and a new temple—in place of an old one lately pulled down to

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Or act, and if adopted and robbery and violence again become rife, then "Sims" would as

soon as he had the power, and foreigners would be placed in equal danger with natives, and like them, run to every place of safety.

"Sims" gives it as his opinion that flagging, night passes, &c, are class legislation in opposition to a different opinion which he quotes. Let him define exactly what he means by "class legislation," and then we may be able to fix his meaning. But we know what meaning he gives to the expression to try to answer his simple question.

I fear the storm clouds are gathering, and although there is very little likelihood of any striking here as was in Barbados, still the same stormy spirit is at work, and will produce mischief. To call it a more liberal and just policy towards the Chinese is nonsense, and to speak of the natural fear of a "superior race" who do not wish to see the natives placed in a position of safety, is to do violence to the simple facts of the case.

Any one who has been here 12 or 13 years must remember the frightful insecurity that there existed. I have seen men putting revolvers in their pockets before going out for their Sunday afternoon stroll. Now we have changed

our system of flagging and nothing else.

The natives from neighbouring districts in Chinese territory are making it their home on account of the facilities existing for trade and the freedom they enjoy under British rule from "squeezes." His Excellency the Governor, we understand, takes a great interest in the development of Yow-mab-tee, and has paid it several visits, in company with the Surveyor-General, to observe the progress of the works now going on.

It is to be regretted, however, while the peninsula generally is making such advances, that the Home Government should have refused to extend the leases of the lot-holders at Tsim's-a-sai-ku. A memorial was prepared and forwarded to the Secretary for the Colonies before the departure of Sir Arthur Kennedy, praying for the extension of these leases—which, asstated above, are for fourteen years only—on payment of the difference in price. Unfortunately, a report by the Surveyor-General, which we are informed was strongly in favour of the memorial, was inadvertently omitted, and Lord Cænaruson has

replied stating that he sees no reason for making any alteration in the leases, but intimating that there will be no difficulty placed in the way of renewal for a similar term. It was not thought likely that the Government would resume possession of the ground at the end of the term, but the reply of Lord Cænaruson is certainly disappointing, and decided to check the growth of the property. Leases have been granted for a long term in other parts of the peninsula, and it is hard that the lot-holders at Tsim's-a-sai-ku, who have put up most substantial structures, should be thus placed at a disadvantage. It may be allowed that they were imprudent to do so while they had such short leases, but it was not unnatural to suppose, as leases for nine hundred and ninety-nine years had been granted in the same locality, that there would be no great difficulty in obtaining an extension of their temporary ones. It is to be hoped, however, that the Home Government will represent the case in such a light that the noble lord the Secretary for the Colonies will consider and grant what is certainly a most reasonable request.

We have authority to state that the reported case of cholera on the Annamite gulf coast is a fiction.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies has confirmed his leave of absence for twelve months with half pay, and has sent the Rev. R. Maynard Kidd, Colonial Chaplain, on the ground of urgent private affairs.

We are requested by the Agents for the

Eastern and Australian Mail Steamship Com-

pany to state that the announcement that the steamer *Chinkiang* had been chartered by the Company for a voyage to Australia and back is entirely false.

The maximum temperature at the Peak during the past week, as recorded in Saturday's *Gazette*, was 76.5, the minimum 68.5; at the Harbour Master's Office, Praya West, the maximum was 87.5 and the minimum 75.0. Only 0.37 inch of rain fell during the week.

As will be seen by the report, elsewhere published, the P. M. steamer Alaska encountered a small storm on the 8th Ultro, when in lat. 32° 15' N. long. 126° 43' E. The weather moderated the next day, and the weather was experienced during the remainder of the passage.

From a table of meteorological observations taken at the Government Look Hospital by Dr. Ayres, in Saturday's *Gazette*, it appears that 5.29 inches of rain fell last month, compared with 12.29 inches in the corresponding month of 1876, and 15.82 inches in May of 1876.

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